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NORTH ELM STREET/LAKE JEANETTE ROAD ROUNDAABOUT OPENS TO TRAFFIC

GREENSBORO, NC – Wednesday, May 24, 2006 – The City of Greensboro Department of Transportation (GDOT) announces the opening of the North Elm Street roundabout to traffic effective immediately. One of two roundabouts near completion in the city, the North Elm Street/Lake Jeanette Road traffic facility consists of a circular intersection that eliminates left turns across traffic. The roundabout, which also eliminates the need for a traffic signal reduces the likelihood of collisions between vehicles by reducing potential conflict points from 32 in a standard four-way intersection to only 8.

Keys to using a roundabout include slowing down on approach and yielding to traffic already within the roundabout. Drivers should stop if necessary for vehicles or pedestrians before entering. Also, do not stop anywhere within the roundabout and watch for pedestrians before you exit. Pedestrians should use designated crosswalks around the roundabout and never walk within the roundabout.

The Elm/Lake Jeanette roundabout will continue to display caution barrels and lights while crews complete final paving, signage and street markings for the roundabout by next Friday. Motorists are asked to use caution when using the roadway. For more information on using Greensboro's roundabouts and to download a copy of the roundabout users guide, visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/gdot and click on the roundabout link.

The Greensboro Department of Transportation (GDOT) seeks to increase public safety and mobility through the effective planning and delivery of transportation services and operation of municipal transit. For more information about GDOT, contact us at (336) 373-GDOT (4368) or visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/gdot

The City of Greensboro works in partnership with the community to build an increased quality of life for all residents by fostering an environment where inclusion, diversity, and trust are valued. As the seventh largest employer in Greensboro, the City has a dedicated professional staff of 2700 employees who maintain four core values of honesty, integrity, stewardship, and respect. The City of Greensboro is governed by a council-manager form of government where a mayor and eight council members act as the legislative body. For more information on the City of Greensboro, please visit us online at www.greensboro-nc.gov

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